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National Advisory Committee Holds First Meeting

Participating in the meeting were Nicholas A. Veliotes, president, Association of American Publishers (left), and Ma.garet Chisholm, president, American Library Association.

The first meeting of the National Advisory Committee, appointed by Librarian of Congress James H. Billington to participate in the Management and Planning (MAP) process at the Library, convened on March 28. (See the LC *Information Bulletin,* April 4, p. 121, for a list of the members.) Special guests Sen. Claiborne Pell, chairman of the Joint Committee on the Library; Rep. Bill Frenzel, ranking minority member of the Committee on House Administration; and Orlando Potter, legislative assistant to Senator Pell, joined The Librarian at the initial luncheon meeting.

The Members of Congress and the National Advisory Committee discussed service to Congress and their staffs as well as congressional uses of information systems. Senator Pell expressed the support and enthusiasm of himself and his colleagues for the

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year-long management review process in the Library.

Dr. Billington explained the goals of the MAP effort to the National Advisory Committee, and he noted that "we must find ways to exploit the wealth of expertise among the Library staff for the nation." The Library must define its major options, what it should or could do, explained The Librarian, and adjust its budget to those priorities.

The members of the National Advisory Committee viewed the videotape, "A Tour of the Library of Congress," after lunch and then broke into four small discussion groups of Library staff and committee members. Finally, they all had an opportunity to take brief tours through the Prints and Photographs Division, the Law Library, the Congressional Reading Room, the Preservation Laboratory, and the Geography and Map Division.

The full MAP Committee, along with Library of Congress department heads, joined the National Advisory Committee for dinner at the Library that evening. Several members of the advisory committee commented on the diversity of activity and resources at the Library that they had seen during their afternoon tours; and they noted that they were impressed by the enthusiasm for applications of new technology through the Library. Dr. Billington concluded the dinner by asking the members of the advisory committee what it means for the Library of Congress to be a national library; and to think about the distinctive role that implies. He emphasized the need to continue the dialog with the national library community to learn the answers to this question. The Library seeks to help not only the constituencies assembled in Washington, D.C., but civilization more broadly, he said.

Rep. Bill Frenzel (left) and Dr. Billington.

Several issues from the four subcommittee reports were examined further in the plenary discussion on the following morning. The foremost issue was "access"; however, opinions diverged on the question of what to access and how. The free flow of information was felt to be vital not only to democracy but also to entrepreneurship and advanced scholarship.

National access to collections by technological means (online catalogs, bibliographies, and text) was strongly championed, but concerns were raised that technology could not completely replace access to the physical collections. For this purpose the centrality of the collections was felt to be of the utmost importance; however, a preference for physical, or electronic centrality was not resolved. Physical access to the collections remained a primary value for scholars. The concern that technology cannot replace the serendipity of research and the importance of the physical book as more than a format for information was expressed by Akira Iriye of the University of Chicago, and president of the American History Association on behalf of the scholarly community. In response David Penniman of AT&T Bell Labs reminded the group that serendipity may be possible even electronically. Physical access and browsing in the stacks, though a means for unexpected discoveries, cannot show a scholar the complete collection; many items are not on the shelf or are in for microfilming or binding, or are being used. A partnership between the Library and the

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Bruce Tapper, Editor

information industry could exploit the riches of libraries and the diversity of systems in industry.

Other issues that were discussed during the plenary session were the question of whether the Library of Congress should charge fees for special, value-added services, and, if so, whether there should be a hierarchy of charges depending on the user. The question of raising funds for the Library of Congress from the private sector was also aired.

In closing the two-day meeting, Dr. Billington stressed the open nature of the MAP process and the importance of participation in the process by the National Advisory Committee. He urged the members of the National Advisory Committee to send in its thoughtful and concrete suggestions about the Library of Congress and how it relates to its various constituencies by June 1.

Keith Ann Stiverson Assists Law Librarian

Keith Ann Stiverson, an attorney with the Cincinnati law firm of Peck, Shaffer, and Williams, has been appointed special assistant to the Law Librarian at the Library of Congress, effective March 14. She replaces Roberta Shaffer, who left the Library of Congress in July 1987 to accept a Fulbright Scholarship at Tel Aviv University in Israel.

Ms. Stiverson's responsibilities as special assistant will include continuing assessment of Law Library services, priorities, and objectives; determining the means for implementing greater efficiency and increased services in the Law Library; studying the suitability of applying automation, communication, and other technological systems; and representing the Law Librarian before domestic and foreign law library associations, government agencies, and law schools.

Before her employment with Peck, Shaffer, and Williams, Ms. Stiverson was employed by the Ohio state government, where she advanced from an administrative specialist position to chief of the Public Information Division in the Liquor Control Department. After working as an editorial assistant in a law firm and a newspaper bureau, Ms. Stiverson was employed as a verifier and then section head of the Name Authority Verification Unit II in the MARC Editorial Division of the Library of Congress from 1977 to 1981. She gained law library experience as a reference librarian at Georgetown University Law Center Library and then as the assistant director of the Chutick Law Library of the Benjamin Cardozo School of Law at Yeshiva University.

Ms. Stiverson earned an M.S.L.S. degree in 1976 from The Catholic University of America and a J.D. in 1983 from Georgetown University Law Center. Her undergraduate degree, a B.S. in English and Philosophy, was taken at Rio Grande College in Rio Grande, Ohio, in 1971. As a law student, Ms. Stiverson was the publications editor and a member of the executive board of *Law & Policy in International Business*, which published her article "Copyright Infringement as an 'Unfair Act': The Galaxian Video Game Case at the I.T.C.," in 1982.

In addition to her background in law and law librarianship, Ms. Stiverson brings to her position in the Law Library varied experience in fund raising, automation, networking, teaching, and consulting. She was elected to Beta Phi Mu (international library science honorary society) in 1976 and is a member of the Cincinnati Law Librarians' Association as well as a member of the Washington, D.C., Ohio State, and Cincinnati bar associations.

Library Publishes *LC Rule Interpretations*

A new publication to help catalogers apply *Anglo-American Cataloguing Rules*, 2nd edition (AACR 2), according to Library of Congress practice has just been published by the Library's Cataloging Distribution Service.

The new looseleaf publication, *Library of Congress Rule Interpretations*, was prepared under the direction of Robert M. Hiatt, assistant to the director for cataloging at the Library of Congress, and Ben R. Tucker, chief of the Office for Descriptive Cataloging Policy, Library of Congress. It is a cumulation of all currently valid Library of Congress rule interpretations issued since AACR 2 was implemented in 1981. The cost of the first edition of *LCRI*, which includes three updates for 1988, is $80.

Issued in a convenient three-ring, looseleaf binder, the publication features dividers with printed tabs keyed to AACR 2 chapters. Each rule interpretation is clearly numbered and paged so that updating will be quick and simple.

Quarterly updates to the *LCRI* base text are anticipated for future years. They will provide up-to-date notifications of Library of Congress descriptive cataloging policy. Highlights will be provided for each update package. Updates are designed to be interleaved with (or replace) already existing rule interpretations, so users can quickly maintain a fully cumulated set of Library of Congress rule interpretations.

LCRI includes the latest rule interpretations of AACR 2 cataloging rules. Also included are approved revisions to AACR 2. These revisions will be deleted from *LCRI* when they appear in revised printings of AACR 2.

The *Library of Congress Rule Interpretations*, 1st edition, with 1988 updates, may be ordered from the Library of Congress, Cataloging Distribution Service, Washington, DC 20541. For information, call (202) 287-6100. Questions about Library of Congress descriptive cataloging policy should be directed to the Library of Congress, Office for Descriptive Cataloging Policy, Washington, DC 20540.

FLICC Releases Initial Report on Its Forum on Federal Information Policies, Competitiveness

The Federal Library and Information Center Committee (FLICC) held a forum on March 7 at the Library titled, "Federal Information Policies: The Impact on Competitiveness."

The report on the forum which follows anticipates the fuller Summary of Proceedings, *expected to be published this summer:*

The Federal government, under the current administration, has taken broad information initiatives to bolster U.S. competitiveness in industrial and information markets at home and abroad.

The effectiveness of these initiatives and the overall impact of national information policies were reviewed at the Federal Library and Information Center Committee's fifth annual Forum on Federal Information Policies: The Impact on Competitiveness, held March 7 at the Library of Congress.

In his keynote, Rep. Sherwood L. Boehlert (R-N.Y.) said that he was struck that almost no one in government talks about information policy while no one in government seems to stop talking about competitiveness.

He considers that few leaders recognize the enormous role the Federal government has played and must continue to play in the generation, collection, and dissemination of scientific and technical information. As a result, Representative Boehlert said, information policy remains "a piecemeal, half-hearted creature."

Representative Boehlert, who is the ranking Republican on the House Science, Research, and Technology Subcommittee, took issue with the proposal by the Office of Management and Budget that the National Technical Information Service (NTIS) be privatized. Representative Boehlert said he considers the role of NTIS to be one of a central repository and clearinghouse of scientific and technical information at a reasonable price for providing information to business. In his opinion, the "inane" proposal to privatize NTIS is contrary to numerous studies which determined that the agency should remain with the government.

Recent information policy developments regarding competitiveness highlighted at the forum were: passage of the National Cooperative Research and Development Act in 1984, lessening antitrust barriers to cooperative research and development among competitors; the Stevenson-Wydler Technology Innovation Act of 1980, and its amendment, the Federal Technology Transfer Act of 1986, making technologies developed in Federal laboratories more available for exploitation in the private sector; the Japanese Technical Literature Act of 1986, under which the Department of Commerce has the authority to acquire, translate, and disseminate technical literature and information from Japan; and President Ronald Reagan's Executive Order of April 10, 1987, Facilitating Access to Science and Technology.

While our current buzzword seems to be "competitiveness," Barry C. Beringer, under secretary for economic affairs, Department of Commerce, told the audience, the Japanese are preoccupied with "internationalization" (*kokusaika*). Beringer described *kokusaika* as a "growing sensitivity to outside pressure to become a contributor as well as a recipient." He suggested that Americans adapt the internationalization theme "as part of our own preoccupation with competitiveness outside U.S. borders."

The United States is at "an early stage of development when it comes to tracking information from foreign sources," in contrast to Japan which has been "acquiring and assimilating foreign information for centuries."

Mr. Beringer, described a number of recent moves to make scientific and technical information from Japan available for use by American industries. For instance, with the cooperation of NTIS, which is part of the Department of Commerce, a directory has been produced listing programs and services in the United States that abstract, translate, and disseminate Japanese technical literature, all Japanese translations done by the Federal government in the last year, and case studies of successful American companies' efforts to acquire and utilize Japanese information.

Librarian of Congress James H. Billington, chairman of FLICC, welcomed the audience of some 170 library and information leaders from the public and private sectors. In opening the program, Dr. Billington noted that competitiveness is part of a broader competition of ideas and the spread of knowledge in which no one is ultimately a loser. Dr. Billington stressed the appropriateness of the Library of Congress as a setting for a forum on information issues.

The morning session, presided over by Richard Rowberg, chief, Science Policy Research Division, Congressional Research Service (CRS), Library of Congress, focused on the collection and dissemination of scientific and technical information as a means to improve productivity and competitiveness of the United States among industrial powers of the world. The morning panel included Christopher T. Hill, senior specialist, Science and Technology Policy, CRS; Mr. Beringer; Charles T. Owens, Division of International Programs, National Science Foundation; and Michael Maccoby, Project on Technology, Work, and Character.

The afternoon session, presided over by Robert Simons, director of international affairs and general counsel of DIALOG Information Services, Inc., focused on whether the United States is losing its

competitive edge in the marketing and export of information products and services. Issues relating to that question included public and private sector cooperation, Federal government policy making or absence thereof, privatization of U.S. national resources, and foreign ownership of information companies.

Mr. Simons, in setting forth the issues for the afternoon panel, said the U.S. retains its leadership role both at home and abroad in information products. There are now more than 2,900 commercial databases, of which the U.S. generates somewhat more than 1,600, with foreign countries generating some 1,200. There are 500 services around the world that permit access to databases; the U.S. has about 330. In sales volume, U.S. firms have revenues of $3.7 billion annually compared to $1.1 billion for foreign firms. The U.S. is clearly the leader, but the rest of the world has seen the potential and is attempting to catch up, Mr. Simons said.

Mr. Simons noted that a major concern for the future was the lack of a cohesive government policy based on a specific strategy of support to the U.S. information industry. This lack, in his view, has helped to create the impression that the U.S. is an unreliable trading partner. Further, debates on privatization and protectionism, he said, may tend to foster trade wars.

Participating in the afternoon panel were: Peter Hernon, professor, Graduate School of Library and Information Science, Simmons College, Boston; Marvin Weinberger, senior vice president for marketing and corporate development, Telebase Systems, Inc.; Herbert R. Brinberg, president, Wolters Samson U.S. Corporation; and Patrick Gibbins, managing director of Archetype Systems, Ltd., of London, U.K., and former chairman, European Association of Information Services (EUSIDIC).

A number of proposals for improvement in Federal information policies were offered by the speakers. Mr. Brinberg, for instance, called for a national information policy, "articulated by the President, supported by the Congress"—a multifaceted policy with specific objectives, including support of research and development and "pilot studies in new media for storage and dissemination of new systems for information access; and of new methodologies in information management and information sciences."

A *Summary of Proceedings* of The Federal Library and Information Center Committee's Fifth Annual Forum on Federal Information Policies, is currently being prepared by forum rapporteur Douglas C. Brooks.

Charles E. Feinberg Dies, Was Library Benefactor

Charles E. Feinberg of Detroit and Miami Beach, preeminent collector of Walt Whitman and former Honorary Consultant to the Library of Congress in Walt Whitman Studies, died March 1, in Miami. He was 88. His funeral service was conducted at Hebrew Memorial Chapel in Oak Park, Mich., on March 3. Mr. Feinberg is survived by his wife, Lenore, two daughters and one son, and several grandchildren.

The story of Charles Feinberg, who was born in humble circumstances and left school at 12 but rose to prominent positions in business and in the rarefied world of collecting, is the sort that is often said to be possible "only in America." But it began in Canada, to which Mr. Feinberg's family emigrated from England early in this century. He came to the United States in 1923 and was naturalized in 1932. He had already become, in his twenties, vice president of Argo Oil Corporation, of which he served as president 1951–58.

Inspired by a reference in a ten-cent anthology, Mr. Feinberg bought his first Walt Whitman letter before he was 20. It cost him $7.50, exactly one-third of his weekly salary. Subsequently, in his own words, he "tried to acquire all available letters, postcards, checks, bills, and documents, primarily to reconstruct Whitman's daily life and creative activity." His success in that effort, which continued almost to the day he died, can be measured by the countless acknowledgments of grateful scholars in books published over the past half-century and in the magnificent Charles E. Feinberg Collection of Walt Whitman, purchased by the Library of Congress 1969–1979. (The bulk of the collection is in the Manuscript Division, but Whitman's publications—including nine copies of the rare first edition of *Leaves of Grass*—have been transferred to the Rare Book and Special Collections Division, and photographs and other representations are in the Prints and Photographs Division.) The Library's Feinberg Collection contains many individual treasures, and its more than 1,000 Whitman letters are nearly half of all that are known to exist.

Although the Whitman Collection came to the Library of Congress by purchase, Mr. Feinberg also made numerous gifts to the Library. Outstanding among these are the voluminous Horace Traubel Papers. Traubel was Whitman's friend and biographer during the poet's later years and his indefatigable champion thereafter. His papers are an essential complement to the Feinberg Whitman Collection. Mr. Feinberg also collected widely in modern writers and transmitted to the Library manuscripts of John Ciardi and Karl Shapiro, among others, and a number of individual publications. He and Mrs. Feinberg also established gift funds for continuing purchases.

Although known primarily for his literary collections, Mr. Feinberg had a collection of prints and drawings which included the work of Jo Davidson, Albrecht Dürer, Augustus John, Picasso, Rembrandt, and Whistler. His collection was featured at a

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Detroit Institute of Arts exhibition in 1972. He was also a collector of Judaica and Jewish religious and ceremonial objects. Less than a week before he died, he was honored at a luncheon in Miami for his many gifts to the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, a continuing beneficiary of his interest.

In the past 50 years, the Library of Congress has mounted three major exhibitions on Walt Whitman. In 1939, the 120th anniversary of Whitman's birth, the Library's exhibit was drawn from the collection of Mrs. Frank J. Sprague, a collection now at the University of Pennsylvania. In 1955, the centennial year of Leaves of Grass, the Library's exhibit was drawn from its own sizable holdings, principally from the Thomas B. Harned and Carolyn Wells Houghton collections. Mr. Feinberg opened the Library's 1955 exhibit with a lecture, "Notes on Whitman Collections and Collectors," modestly omitting reference to himself and his own collection, some of which was on display that year in the Detroit Public Library.

In 1969, celebrating the poet's sesquicentennial and the acquisition of the Feinberg Collection, the Library filled the Great Hall in the Thomas Jefferson Building with remarkable treasures acquired from Mr. Feinberg, including the only known manuscript page from the 1855 *Leaves of Grass*, the first letter of Ralph Waldo Emerson to Whitman, which has been called "the most famous letter in American literary history," and the manuscript of Whitman's best known single poem, "O Captain! My Captain!"

Many individuals and institutions can rightly claim Charles Feinberg as one of their own, but none more than the Library of Congress. As Honorary Consultant in Walt Whitman Studies 1972–1981 and as unofficial advisor to the Library for nearly 40 years, he numbered a succession of Library officials among his circle of intimates. Generous and irrepressible, Charles Feinberg was enthusiastic and intellectually active to the end. A friend of all libraries, he will be missed most at the national library, which he loved enough to try to improve—and frequently did.

—John C. Broderick

Guide to Polish Genealogy, Heraldry

The Library of Congress has published *Polish Genealogy and Heraldry; An Introduction to Research* (120 p.) prepared by Janina W. Hoskins, area specialist (Poland and East Europe) in the European Division. The publication is addressed to historians who employ genealogy and heraldry as research sources, and American descendants of Poles who seek to trace their ancestral line.

Part 1 includes compendiums on armorials and studies in heraldry, followed by a section on genealogy. The numerous studies that armorials, heraldry, and genealogy have engendered which have extended investigation into ancestry are selectively included. The English-language section that follows is designed to serve Americans in their initial genealogical search for their Polish forebears. Part 2 sets forth tools for genealogical search on both the early and modern periods. The references present the basic works on Polish history ranging from encyclopedias, biographies, and geographical dictionaries that record the changing nomenclature to the ultimate, or archival, sources.

This compilation should be viewed as an introduction to Slavic, and especially Polish genealogical research and does not claim to be exhaustive. Some materials are also included on Jews, Lithuanians, and Ukrainians.

The work is available for $3.50 from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402. (When ordering, cite Stock Number 030-001-00123-7.)

AMERICAN TREASURY

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This week's question, drawn from the CBS News "American Treasury" series, broadcast each weekday at 3:57 p.m. (EST) on the CBS Television Network, is:

What novel led to the passage of the Pure Food and Drug Act (and better conditions in the Chicago meat-packing houses)?

The answer to last week's question is:

A monk in the Middle Ages named Guido D'Arezzo is credited with naming the musical scale. He also developed the staff, or multi-lined form on which musical notes are written.

STAFF NEWS

Visitors Feel Welcome in Office of Near East Section Scholar, George Atiyeh

As one enters the Near East Section and the office of George N. Atiyeh, head of the section, one is impressed with the quantity and range of publications that surround this scholar who, through his lifetime, has earned international recognition and respect as an expert in the study of the Near East. Another immediate impression is one of Dr. Atiyeh's relaxed and comfortable manner; his Library of Congress office exudes his warmth and serenity as he converses about the work of his section and his background and interests.

Dr. Atiyeh is a historian with a specialty in cultural history. He speaks and reads Arabic, Spanish, and French and reads German and Italian.

Dr. Atiyeh was born in Amioun, Lebanon, and received a B.A. degree and an M.A. degree from the American University of Beirut. Later, he was to become an instructor in Arab History at his alma mater. He came to the United States in 1951 to study at the University of Chicago, where he earned a Ph.D. in Oriental languages and literature.

While at the university he met a fellow student, Daisy Roper Oliver. They married and in 1954 they moved to Puerto Rico, where Mrs. Atiyeh had been born and reared. Dr. Atiyeh taught at the University of Puerto Rico for 13 years and was chairman of the Humanities Department. Mrs. Atiyeh was associate professor in the School of General Education at the same university.

Dr. Atiyeh has been head of the Near East Section of the African and Middle Eastern Division since he came to the Library almost 21 years ago. The section's staff of six includes specialists for the Arabic, Turkish, and Persian language areas as well as a reference librarian, a processing assistant in charge of Arabic newspapers, and a secretary. The primary functions of the Near East Section are providing advice on acquisitions for developing the collections, offering reference service for scholars and the Congress, translating materials for the Congress—mainly from Arabic, Persian, and Turkish—and preparing bibliographies. The first volume of the *National Union List Project (NENUL)* was recently published and the *Cataloging of Arabic Manuscripts* is to be initiated soon. Cooperation for this project has been obtained with the King Faisal Center in Saudi Arabia.

George N. Atiyeh, head of the Near East Section

On a typical day, the section provides personal service to more than a dozen serious researchers, answers calls from the Congress, and provides translations of several different languages.

The Library's collections contain an estimated 112,000 monographs in Arabic, 30,000 in Persian, 25,000 in Turkish, and 20,000 in Turkic (various Central Asian languages); these are the reasons why most researchers—even those from venerable foreign institutions—visit the section. One such recent visitor was the rector of The Karouine University in Fez, Morocco, established in 859 A.D. and, Dr. Atiyeh said, "one of the oldest universities in the world." He said the U.S. Information Agency sometimes brings distinguished visitors to the Near East Section. "Yesterday someone from the Gulf States called requesting information," he said.

One recent program organized by Dr. Atiyeh and sponsored by the

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Shirley Loo Marks 20 Years with Library

Shirley Loo, specialist in information control and automated systems, Library Services Division, Congressional Research Service (CRS), was recently presented a 20-year Federal Service Award pin by Jack McDonald, Jr., chief of the Library Services Division.

Ms. Loo received her bachelor's degree and fifth year diploma in education from the University of Hawaii. She received a master's degree in education and a second master's degree in library science, both from Colombia University. She is a graduate of the Library Administators Professional Development Program at the University of Maryland.

She joined the Library staff in 1967 as an education and public welfare bibliographer in the Library Services Division of the former Legislative Reference Service. Within a few years, she was promoted to the new position of assistant head of the subject specialization section; two years later she became head of the section. Among the notable achievements during her tenure was the expansion of the Selective Dissemination of Information (SDI) service to congressional offices, the development of a hard copy service for the SDI, the online availability of the CRS Bibliographic Data Base, and the automation of the notification system for projects of the congressional support agencies.

After serving as section head for more than a decade, she was appointed to her present position. Responsible for the *Legislative Indexing Vocabulary*, she has issued four editions and is currently working on the 18th edition of this CRS thesaurus which has been requested by libraries and organizations in numerous states and foreign countries. Work on Library mainframe applications such as text retrieval in the CRS Bibliographic Data Base, the forthcoming CRS Products File, and the Samantha print facility have been joined by mini and microcomputer applications in recent years.

Her performance and work have been recognized numerous times by Outstanding Performance Ratings and through the Library's Incentive Awards Program. The most recent award at the November 1987 ceremony recognized her contribution to the Optical Disk Print Pilot Project.

She is active in professional library associations and has held offices in both the American Library Association and the Special Libraries Association on the national and local levels. She is a candidate for vice president/president elect of the District of Columbia Library Association. She has also served as president of the Library of Congress Cooking Club.

Richard Rohland Receives 20-Year Service Award

Richard L. Rohland, a senior arranger-filer in the National Union Catalog (NUC) Control Section, Catalog Management and Publication Division (CM&P), was presented with a 20-year Federal Service Award pin recently by Gloria H. Hsia, chief of the CM&P Division. Also present at the ceremony were Kay F. Wexler, assistant chief, and Neva A. Littlejohn, supervisor, of the NUC Control Section's Catalog Maintenance Unit.

Mr. Rohland was raised in Detroit and attended the Lawrence Institute of Technology in Southfield, Mich., before transferring to Gallaudet College, where he earned a B.A. in mathematics in 1965.

He began his career at the Library of Congress in 1968 as a searcher in the former Card Division's Bibliographic Inquiry Section. He was appointed to senior searcher in 1971, to the Catalog Management Division as a catalog filer in the Filing Section three years later, and to his current position as senior arranger-filer in the Catalog Maintenance Unit in 1986.

Mr. Rohland received a Special Achievement Award (group) in 1986 for his work in the division's project to prepare the Main Catalog for filming.

He is currently studying library science as a special advanced student at the University of Maryland.

Know Your Emergency Number

There is safety in numbers—if one knows the correct telephone number to call in an emergency.

Because the Library of Congress is located in several buildings and in the state of Maryland as well as in the District of Columbia, there is more than one number to call for police, fire, or medical assistance. Library staff and the public needing emergency help should call these numbers:

James Madison Building
Thomas Jefferson Building
John Adams Building
Call 77111

Suitland Film Vault
Building B
Suitland, Maryland
Call 77111

Taylor Street Annex
Call 9911

Landover Center Annex
Landover, Maryland
Call 350-9700

Navy Yard Annex
Federal Research Division
Call 472-1111

STAFF NEWS

Copyright Examiner Jean Tooter Retires

Jean Tooter celebrated her retirement from the Copyright Office on March 3. Ms. Tooter joined the Library of Congress in 1941, when Franklin D. Roosevelt was President of the United States, Archibald MacLeish was the Librarian of Congress, Col. Bouvé was the Register of Copyrights, and $25 a week was considered "good money" for her Copyright Office job as a clerk typist. Simon Lasica, head of the Correspondence Unit, was her supervisor.

When she went to work at the Copyright Office on September 2, 1941, she was only 18 years old and one of a youthful work force. Many of the employees were night college students, and some were in law school. "I worked with a lot of young people, but the 18-year-olds seemed much younger then than now," she said. To her, the older, experienced examiners on the staff seemed "ancient." But everyone was friendly: "I knew everyone in the office by name," she said.

On December 7, 1941, only three months after beginning her new job, Ms. Tooter heard on the radio that Pearl Harbor had been attacked. The next day, while eating lunch at a restaurant on East Capitol Street, she listened to a radio broadcast of President Roosevelt's speech, "Day of Infamy," to the Congress.

That day changed routines for many at the Library of Congress. As men left their jobs at the Library and the Copyright Office to fight, women and men who were disqualified for military service replaced them. Staff sent their colleagues off to war with coffee and donuts; some who left never returned. Ms. Tooter remembers one Copyright staff member, Alexander Chavez, who was killed, and another, Mike McKool, who was captured by the Germans but escaped. Those who remained behind also contributed to the war effort: Ms. Tooter remembers signing up other civilians for ration books.

Ralph Oman, Register of Copyrights, presents Jean Tooter a certificate of retirement.

As weapons used in World War II became increasingly sophisticated, Ms. Tooter worried that the war might be the beginning of the end for humanity. "It was a very frightening time," she recalled.

Ms. Tooter left the Copyright Office in 1954 to move to Massachusetts. She returned in 1976 as a technician in the Renewals and Assignments Section. In 1982, she was named an examiner in the Literary Section.

As a career highlight, Ms. Tooter remembers serving as documents officer for the 1950 UNESCO Conference on Copyright. Attended by many representatives from other countries, the conference was held at the Cannon House Office Building on Capitol Hill.

During her career at the Copyright Office, she served with seven Registers of Copyright: Col. Bouvé, Richard DeWolfe, Sam Bass Warner, Arthur Fisher, Barbara Ringer, David Ladd, and Ralph Oman.

To celebrate her retirement, coworkers, friends, and retirees gathered in Dining Room A on March 3. Mr. Oman presented her with a certificate of retirement. Also present were Nancy Lawrence, head of Literary I Section; and Harriet Oler, chief of the Examing Division, who gave her gifts from the staff.

Her retirement plans include "catching up on things" and travel to the American West and Europe.

STAFF NEWS

Rozelle Rhodes Dies

Rozelle Rhodes, formerly employed in the Information Office as an information counter assistant, died on March 29 in Coffeeville, Miss. Mr. Rhodes was 30 years old.

A native of Memphis, Tenn., Mr. Rhodes earned a bachelor of arts from Memphis State University in Memphis in 1979 and a certificate of proficiency in para-legal studies from the American Institute of Business and Technology in Washington, D.C., in 1986.

In 1979, he came to Washington and worked at the Federal Bureau of Investigation. He joined the Library of Congress in late 1986. During the time that Mr. Rhodes worked at the Library, he made some significant contributions to the sales shop operation. He received several letters of commendation from customers and Library staff, and was awarded an Incentive Award in 1987.

Services and burial were conducted in Coffeeville, Miss. His immediate survivors include his mother, Emma Rhodes, of Coffeeville; his grandfather; three brothers; and two sisters.

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Near East Section together with Mage Publishers was the commemoration of the 600th anniversary of the death of the famous Persian poet, Khaje Shams ud-Din Hafez. Also, in March of this year, Dr. Atiyeh arranged for the first recording of a Lebanese woman poet, Huda Al-Namani, for the Archives of World Literature on Tape in the Library of Congress.

A feature of his position that Dr. Atiyeh particularly enjoys is traveling, from North Africa to Iran and Turkey to Saudi Arabia. In April he visited Egypt and Morocco to present a paper, "Arab Manuscripts in the Moslem West," at a conference on Arab manuscripts.

Dr. Atiyeh's latest book, *Arab Civilization Challenges and Responses,* edited with Ibrahim M. Oweiss and published by the State University of New York Press, is to be released in June. Articles concerning his achievements have appeared in the *Washington Report on Middle East Affairs* and the *ARAMCO World Magazine.*

Dr. and Mrs. Atiyeh have three children, Nicholas, 31, who is married and produces documentary films; Rosemarie, 30, who works for the U.S. government; and Lancelot, 26, who is in private industry. Mrs. Atiyeh currently teaches at St. Mary's Academy in Alexandria, Va. Dr. Atiyeh's hobbies include walking and listening to classical music.

–Olga Padilla

Staff Activities

Enikő Molnár Basa, cataloger in the Serial Record Division, attended the 14th annual conference of the Southern Comparative Literature Association held in Savannah, Ga. The program included a literary walking tour and a panel on translations. Dr. Basa was reelected secretary-treasurer of the association.

Guadalupe Jimenez Codinach, archival survey project coordinator in the Hispanic Division of the Library of Congress, participated in a roundtable discussion, "Books in Print: Spain and America Toward the Quincentennial," on April 23 at the Martin Luther King Memorial Library in Washington, D.C.

John Y. Cole, director of the Center for the Book at the Library of Congress, was the keynote speaker at the annual meeting of the Oregon Library Association in Eugene, Oreg., on April 7. In his address, titled "The Library of Congress: A Window on the World," Dr. Cole summarized the recent history of the Library and discussed the review being undertaken by The Librarian's Management and Planning Committee (MAP). He also invited Oregon librarians, under the leadership of the Oregon Center for the Book, to participate in "1989–The Year of the Young Reader," the campaign initiated by the Center for the Book and the Children's Literature Center in the Library of Congress. Earlier, Dr. Cole was the speaker on March 22 in Topeka, Kans., at a dinner sponsored by Friends of Topeka Public Library in celebration of the Kansas Center for the Book, which has been established at the Topeka Public Library. Sponsored by the University of Kansas Libraries, Dr. Cole's talk the previous day at the University of Kansas in Lawrence was on the topic, "The Community of the Book." Dr. Cole also spoke at the annual dinner meeting of the Friends of the University of California, San Diego, on March 3 in La Jolla. His topic was "The Library of Congress and Its Center for the Book."

Louis Fisher, specialist in the Government Division of the Congressional Research Service, recently participated in three conferences on constitutional issues. He had been asked by the Bicentennial Commission to speak March 1 on the separation of powers. On March 11–12, he served on a panel that discussed the topic, "America's Budget Crisis and Separated Powers," at a Claremont Institute conference, "To Amend or Defend the Constitution:

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Separated Powers and the Current Crisis of American Government." On March 30 he presented a paper, "Understanding the Role of Congress in Foreign Policy," at a workshop sponsored by the American Bar Association and the George Mason University School of Law. The theme of the workshop was "Separation of Powers in Foreign Policy: Do We Have an 'Imperial Congress'?"

Albert E. Graham, Jr., head of the European Reading Room, has been called back into active duty with the U.S. Navy. A captain in the Navy Reserves, he received notification that he was one of two Navy reservists in the United States to be assigned to the On-Site Inspection Agency, which recently was created to monitor Soviet compliance with the INF (intermediate-range nuclear forces) treaty. He will serve with a group of officers, representing all branches of the service, under General LaJoie. A "red" team will escort Soviet inspectors in the United States, while a "blue" group will travel to inspect sites in the Soviet Union. Although Captain Graham is uncertain which team he will join, he expects to return to the Library after one year.

Alan Jabbour, director of the American Folklife Center at the Library of Congress, participated in the second annual conference of Nevada state cultural agencies and organizations in February. Titled "Oasis: Cultivating Nevada's Cultural Resources," the conference was held in Las Vegas. On February 10, he made a presentation, "Vanishing Traditions, Continuing Traditions: The American Folklife Center Visits Nevada," and showed excerpts from the center's videodisk, "The Ninety-Six: A Cattle Ranch in Northern Nevada" (1985). At a special luncheon of board members of the sponsoring cultural agencies on February 11, he discussed the history of state cultural agencies and the possibilities for cooperative efforts to preserve cultural traditions.

Victor Marton, head of the Information Section of the Information and Reference Division, Copyright Office, discussed library photocopying and fair-use provisions of the copyright law at a meeting of the Music Librarians Association in Minneapolis, Minn.

William R. Nugent, assistant director of the Automated Systems Office, spoke on the topic, "Optical Storage and Image Automation: Two Converging Technologies for Data Management," at a meeting of the National Association of County Recorders and Clerks during the annual meeting of the National Association of Counties in Washington, D.C., in March. Mr. Nugent emphasized the importance of including the pictorial content of a document in the optical disk record, and he described digital, analog, and digitized-analog approaches that have been used by the Library of Congress for recording image data.

Ralph Oman, Register of Copyrights, and **Lewis Flacks,** policy planning advisor, participated in a series of informal international meetings on the General Agreement on Tariff and Trade (GATT) at the U.S. Department of State from March 7 to 11. The discussions involved substantive issues of standards and enforcement of international property rights. Mr. Oman also participated in a panel discussion March 20 in Palm Beach, Fla., with former Senator Charles McC. Mathias, Jr., at the Association of American Publishers meeting. The topic was the possible U.S. adherence to the Berne Convention.

Edith Palmer, senior legal specialist in the European Law Division, and **Kersi B. Shroff,** senior legal specialist in the American-British Law Division, presented papers at a meeting of the North Carolina Board of State Goals and Policy in Raleigh, N.C., in March. Appointed by the governor of North Carolina, the board is engaged in a study of tort law reform. Dr. Palmer delivered a lecture, "European Perspective on Tort Law," and Mr. Shroff gave an account of the "English Perspective on Tort Law."

Marybeth Peters, policy planning advisor, Copyright Office, served on the U.S. delegation to a meeting of the Committee of Experts on the Establishment of an International Register of Audiovisual Works. The meeting was held in Geneva, Switzerland, from March 7 to 11.

Cindy Romanyk, an information specialist in the Information Section, Information and Reference Division, Copyright Office, spoke to the Chambersburg (Pa.) Art Alliance March 9 about copyright basics, especially provisions of the law that pertain to visual arts.

Staff Carpool Locator

Rider/driver wants to join carpool from Bowie, Md. Prefers to arrive at the Library between 6:30 and 7 a.m. Call George Perreault, ext. 71270.

Meetings and Events Around the Library

Wednesday, May 18

☐ Exhibition opens marking the millennium of the baptism of Vladimir, ruler of Rus'. Exhibition runs through October 9. Great Hall, Jefferson Building.

Thursday, May 19

☐ Irish music is featured in Outdoor Concert Series of the American Folklife Center. Neptune Plaza, 12 noon.

☐ "Collecting Modern Fine Printing at the Library of Congress" (with slides), Peter VanWingen, acting chief, Rare Book and Special Collections Division. LC Professional Association (LCPA). Room LM 642, 12:10 p.m. **For members and staff.**

Friday, May 20

☐ Concert by Miriam Fried, violin, and James Tocco, piano. Coolidge Auditorium, 8 p.m. Free; no tickets required.

Thursday, May 26

☐ Exhibit opens of the White House News Photographers Association, photos and video award winners. Runs until November 27. Ground floor, Jefferson Building.

☐ "Brainstorming: Using the Nominal Group Technique to Generate Ideas," Nancy Davenport. LCPA. Room LM 642, 12:10 p.m. **For members and staff.**

Friday, May 27

☐ Concert by David Hardy, violoncello, and Lambert Orkis, piano. Coolidge Auditorium, 8 p.m. Free; no tickets required.

Events are open to the public unless otherwise noted.

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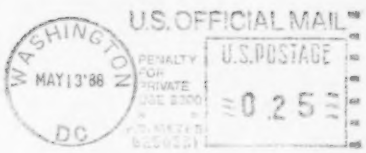

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